# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER NO. 90-027

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR:

DOLE DRIED FRUIT AND NUT COMPANY MORGAN HILL, SANTA CLARA COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, hereinafter called the Board, finds that:

- 1. Bonner Packing Company (presently owned by Dole Dried Fruit and Nut Company, hereinafter called the discharger), submitted a report of waste discharge dated 18 June 1985.
- 2. The 37 acre site is located in Sections 1 and 6, T9S, R2E and R3E of the MBD&M. It is bounded by Monterey Highway on the west, by the Coyote River to the east, residences to the north and agriculture to the south. The site occupies a flat area at about 310 feet above mean sea level, on the west bank of the Coyote Creek, in the middle of the Santa Clara Valley. The subsurface materials are stream channels and alluvial fan deposits consisting of clays with silts overlaying medium to coarse sediments consisting of clays, silts, and sands intermingled with occasional pebbles and cobbles. The surface drainage and the subsurface ground water flows in a northerly to northeasterly direction.
- 3. The discharger operates a fruit packing facility, which discharges wastewater from the cleaning of product and equipment. The average daily wastewater flow of 5,000 gallons is settled and filtered. The solids are disposed of off site and the wastewater is spray irrigated on disposal fields.
- 4. Ground water monitoring from June 1986 to March 1987 showed an increase in Biochemical Oxygen Demand, Total Dissolved Solids and Sodium in the ground water beneath the site.
- 5. In a 17 April 1989 letter the discharger proposed changes in the discharge system to correct any possible ground water contamination. The changes consist of relocation of the designated upgradient ground water monitoring well, add approximately 2 acres of spray disposal fields, plant the spray disposal fields and install lysimeters to monitor the unsaturated ground water zone.
- 6. The Board adopted a revised Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay Region (Basin Plan) on August 19, 1987. This Order implements the water quality objectives for the Coyote Creek as stated in the Basin Plan.
- 7. The potential beneficial uses of the ground water in the area are:

- a. Domestic Supply
- b. Municipal Supply
- c. Industrial Process and Service Supply
- d. Agricultural Supply
- 8. Ground water is utilized for drinking water purposes in the area; there is one existing industrial process, service supply and domestic water well on site.
- 9. The existing and potential beneficial uses of the Coyote Creek are:
  - a. Industrial Process Supply;
  - b. Navigation;
  - d. Water Contact Recreation;
  - e. Ocean Commercial and Sport Fishing;
  - f. Warm Fresh Water Habitat;
  - g. Preservation of Areas of Special Biological Significance;
  - h. Wildlife Habitat;
  - i. Marine Habitat; and,
  - j. Fish Migration.
- 10. The Board has notified the discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements and has provided them with an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
- 11. The adoption of this Order is exempt from the provisions of Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 2100) of Division 13 of the Public Resources Code (California Environmental Quality Act) due to the categorical exemption entitled "Replacement or Reconstruction (of Existing Facilities)"; Section 15302, Title 14, California Code of Regulations.
- 12. The Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the discharger, and any other person(s) that operates this site, shall comply with the following:

#### A. Prohibitions

- 1. The treatment or storage of waste shall not cause pollution or nuisance as defined in Section 13050 of the California Water Code.
- 2. The treatment or storage of waste shall not degrade the quality of any usable ground water.
- 3. The discharge of wastewater into surface waters is prohibited.

#### B. Specifications

1. The use of the unsaturated soil for the treatment of wastewater shall

not result in the pollution of the ground water basin.

2. The discharger shall conduct monitoring activities as needed to define the current local hydrogeologic conditions, and the lateral and vertical extent of ground water pollution. Should monitoring results show evidence of plume migration, additional plume characterization of pollutant extent may be required.

#### C. Provisions

The discharger shall comply with the Prohibitions and Specifications above according to the following time schedule:

- 1. Submit a technical report acceptable to the Executive Officer which evaluates the performance of the existing wastewater treatment and disposal system and a proposal for corrective action.
  - a. The report shall include the capacity, efficiency, and reliability of treatment and disposal systems, geologic mapping, development of adequate geologic and hydrogeologic cross sections, and an evaluation of the competency of all existing wells. The report shall also include a compilation of results of all the wastewater, water and soil sampling and analyses previously performed.

    REPORT DUE: No later than 28 May 1990.
  - b. Submit a proposal for corrective action for wastewater treatment and disposal systems.
    PROPOSAL FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE: No later than 18 June 1990.
- 2. The discharger shall submit a technical report, acceptable to the Executive Officer, documenting completion of the necessary tasks related to corrective action.

  REPORT DUE: No later than 2 January 1991.
- 3. The discharger shall maintain a copy of this order at the site so as to be available at all times to site operating personnel.
- 4. The discharger's submittal of technical reports evaluating immediate, interim and final remedial measures will include a projection of the cost, effectiveness, benefits, and impact on public health, welfare, and environment of each alternative measure. The reports shall consider the State Water Resources Control Board's Resolution No. 68-16, "Statement of Policy with Respect to Maintaining High Quality of Waters in California".
- 5. Technical reports, submitted by the discharger, in compliance with the Prohibitions, Specifications, and Provisions of this Order shall be submitted to the Board on the schedule specified herein. These reports shall consist of a letter report that includes the following:
  - a. A summary of work completed since submittal of the previous report and work projected to be completed by the time of the next report;

- b. Identification of any obstacles which may threaten compliance with the schedule of this Order and what actions are being taken to overcome these obstacles;
- c. In the event of non-compliance with any Prohibition, Specification or Provision of this Order, written notification which clarifies the reasons for non-compliance and which proposes specific measures and a schedule to achieve compliance. This written notification shall identify work not completed that was projected for completion, and shall identify the impact of non-compliance on achieving compliance with the remaining requirements of this Order; and,
- d. In the first self-monitoring report, an evaluation of the current ground water monitoring system and a proposal for modifications as appropriate.
- 6. All submittals of hydrogeological plans, specifications, reports, and documents (except quarterly progress and self-monitoring reports), shall be signed by and stamped with the seal of a registered geologist, registered engineering geologist, or registered professional engineer.
- 7. All samples shall be analyzed by State certified laboratories or laboratories accepted by the Board using approved EPA methods for the type of analysis to be performed. All laboratories shall maintain quality assurance/quality control records for Board review.
- 8. The discharger shall maintain in good working order, and operate as efficiently as possible, any facility or control system installed to achieve compliance with the requirements of this Order.
- 9. Copies of all correspondence, reports, and documents pertaining to compliance with the Prohibitions, Specifications, and Provisions of this Order, submitted by the discharger, shall also be provided to the following agencies:
  - a. Santa Clara County Department of Health; and,
  - b. State Department of Health Services.
- 10. The discharger shall permit the Board or its authorized representative, in accordance with Section 13267 (c) of the California Water Code, the following:
  - a. Entry upon premises in which any pollution sources exist, or may potentially exist, or in which any required records are kept, which are relevant to this Order;
  - b. Access to copy and records required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this Order;
  - c. Inspection of any monitoring equipment or methodology implemented in response to this Order; and

- d. Sampling of any ground water or soil which is accessible, or may become accessible, as part of any investigation or remedial action program undertaken by the discharger.
- 11. The discharger shall remove and relocate any wastes which are discharged at this site in violation of these requirements.
- 12. The discharger shall file with this Board a report of any material change or proposed change in the character, location, or quantity of this waste discharge. For the purpose of these requirements, this includes any proposed change in the boundaries, contours, or ownership of the disposal areas.
- 13. The Board considers the property owner and site operator to have a continuing responsibility for correcting any problems within their reasonable control which arise in the future as a result of this waste discharge or water applied to this property during subsequent use of the land for other purposes.
- 14. These requirements do not authorize the commission of any act causing injury to the property of another or of the public, do not convey any property rights, do not remove liability under federal, state or local laws, and do not authorize the discharge of waste without the appropriate federal, state or local permits, authorizations, or determinations.
- 15. If any hazardous substance is discharged in or on any waters of the state, or discharged and deposited, or probably will be discharged in or on any waters of the state, the discharger shall report such discharge to the following:
  - a. This Regional Board at (415) 464-1255 on weekdays during office hours from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and,
  - b. The Office of Emergency Services at (800) 852-7550.

A written report shall be filed with the Regional Board within five working days and shall contain information relative to the following:

- (1) The nature of waste or pollutant;
- (2) The quantity involved and the duration of incident;
- (3) The cause of spill;
- (4) The estimated size of affected area;
- (5) The corrective measures that have been taken or planned, and a schedule of these measures; and,
- (6) The persons/agencies notified.

- 16. The Board will review this Order periodically and may revise the requirements when necessary.
- 17. If the discharger is delayed, interrupted or prevented from meeting one or more of the completion dates specified in this Order, the discharger shall promptly notify the Executive Officer and the Board shall consider revision to this Order.
- I, Steven R. Ritchie, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region on February 21, 1990.

Steven R. Ritchie Executive Officer

Attachments:

Figure 1: Location Map Self Monitoring Program

# CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

SELF-MONITORING PROGRAM

FOR

DOLE DRIED FRUIT AND NUT COMPANY

MONTEREY HIGHWAY

MORGAN HILL, SANTA CLARA COUNTY

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

ORDER NO. 90 - 027

CONSISTS OF

PART A

AND

PART B

#### PART A

#### A. General

- 1. Reporting responsibilities of waste dischargers are specified in Sections 13225(a), 13267(b), 13383, and 13387(b) of the California Water Code and this Regional Board's Resolution No.73-16.
- 2. The principal purposes of a self-monitoring program by a waste discharger are the following:
  - To document compliance with waste discharge requirements and prohibitions established by the Board;
  - To facilitate self-policing by the waste discharger in the prevention and abatement of pollution arising from waste discharge;
  - c. To develop or assist in the development of effluent standards of performance, pretreatment and toxicity standards, and other standards; and,
  - d. To prepare water and wastewater quality inventories.

#### B. Sampling And Analytical Methods

- 1. Sample collection, storage, and analyses shall be performed according to the most recent version of Standard Methods for the Analysis of Wastewater, and Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste EPA Document SW-846, or other EPA approved methods and in accordance with an approved sampling and analysis plan.
- 2. Water and waste analysis (except total suspended solids) shall be performed by a laboratory approved for these analyses by the State Department of Health. The director of the laboratory whose name appears on the certification shall supervise all analytical work in his/her laboratory and shall sign all reports of such work submitted to the Regional Board.
- 3. All monitoring instruments and equipment shall be properly calibrated and maintained to ensure accuracy of measurements.

#### C. Definition Of Terms

- 1. A grab sample is a discrete sample collected at any time.
- 2. Duly authorized representative is a duly authorized representative may thus be either a named individual or any individual occupying a named position such as the following:
  - a. Authorization is made in writing by a principal executive officer; or,

b. Authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility or activity, such as general partner in a partnership, sole proprietor in a sole proprietorship, the position of plant manager, operator of a well or a well field, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company.

### D. Schedule Of Sampling, Analysis, And Observations

- 1. The discharger is required to perform sampling, analysis, and observations according to the schedule specified in Part B, and the requirements in Subchapter 15.
- 2. A statistical analysis shall be performed and reported annually as described in the current revision of Appendix II of Subchapter 15.

#### E. Records To Be Maintained By The Discharger

- 1. Written reports shall be maintained by the discharger for ground water monitoring and wastewater sampling, and shall be retained for a minimum of three years. This period of retention shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding this discharge or when requested by the Board. Such records shall show the following for each sample:
  - a. Identity of sample and sample station number;
  - b. Date and time of sampling;
  - c. Method of composite sampling (See Section C-Definition of Terms);
  - d. Date and time that analyses are started and completed, and name of the personnel performing the analyses;
  - e. Complete procedure used, including method of preserving the sample, and the identity and volumes of reagents used. A reference to a specific section of a reference required in Part A Section B is satisfactory;
  - f. Calculation of results;
  - g. Results of analyses, and detection limits for each analyses; and,
  - h. Chain of custody forms for each sample.

### F. Reports To Be Filed With The Board

1. Written self-monitoring reports shall be filed by the 15th day of the month following the report period. The report period shall be quarterly except for surface water discharges monitoring which shall be monthly. For quarterly ground water monitoring reports, written reports shall be

filed regularly each quarter within forty- five days from the end of the quarter monitored. In addition an annual report shall be filed as indicated in G.3. The reports shall be comprised of the following:

a. Letter of Transmittal - A letter transmitting the essential points in each self-monitoring report should accompany each report. Such a letter shall include a discussion of any requirement violations found during the last report period, and actions taken or planned for correcting the violations, such as, operation and/or facilities modifications. If the discharger has previously submitted a detailed time schedule for correcting requirement violations, a reference to the correspondence transmitting such schedule will be satisfactory. If no violations have occurred in the last report period this shall be stated in the letter of transmittal. Monitoring reports and the letter transmitting the monitoring reports shall be signed by a principal executive officer at the level of vice president or his duly authorized representative, if such representative is responsible for the overall operation of the facility from which the discharge originates. The letter shall contain a statement by the official, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of the signer's knowledge the report is true, complete, and correct. The letter shall contain the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments are prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who managed the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

- b. Each monitoring report shall include a compliance evaluation summary sheet. Until the Order's amended to specify ground water protection standards, the following shall apply and the compliance sheet shall contain:
  - (1) The method and time of water level measurement, the type of pump used for purging, pump placement in the well, method of purging, pumping rate, equipment and methods used to monitor field pH, temperature, and conductivity during purging, calibration of the field equipment, results of the pH, temperature conductivity and turbidity testing, well recovery time, and method of disposing of the purge water; and,
  - (2) Type of pump used, pump placement for sampling, a detailed description of the sampling procedure; number and description of equipment, field and travel blanks; number and description of duplicate samples; type of sample containers and preservatives used, the date and time of sampling, the name and qualifications of the

- person actually taking the samples, and any other observations; the chain of custody record.
- c. A summary of the status of any remediation work performed during that quarter. This shall be a brief and concise summary of the work initiated and completed as follows:
  - (1) As interim corrective action measures; and,
  - (2) To define the extent and rate of migrations of waste constituents in the soil and ground water at the site.
- d. The discharger shall describe, in the quarterly report, the reasons for significant increases in a pollutant concentration at a well onsite. The description shall include the following:
  - (1) The source of the increase;
  - (2) How the discharger determined or will investigate the source of the increase; and,
  - (3) What source removal measures have been completed or will be proposed.
- e. On a semi-annual basis, a map or aerial photograph showing observation and monitoring station locations, and plume contours for each chemical in each aquifer shall be included as part of the quarterly Self-Monitoring Report.
- f. Laboratory statements of results of analyses specified in Part B must be included in each report. The director of the laboratory whose name appears on the laboratory certification shall supervise all analytical work in his/her laboratory and shall sign all reports of such work submitted to the Board. The following information shall be provided:
  - (1) The methods of analyses and detection limits must be appropriate for the expected concentrations. Specific methods of analyses must be identified. If methods other than EPA approved methods or Standard Methods are used, the exact methodology must be submitted for review; and,
  - (2) In addition to the results of the analyses, laboratory quality control/quality assurance (QA/QC) information must be included in the monitoring report. The laboratory QA/QC information should include the method, equipment and analytical detection limits; the recovery rates; an explanation for any recovery rate that is less than 80%; the results of equipment and method blanks; the results of spiked and surrogate samples; the frequency of quality control analysis; and the name and qualifications of the person(s) performing the analyses.

- g. By January 31 of each year the discharger shall submit an annual report to the Board covering the previous calendar year. This report shall contain:
  - (1) Tabular and graphical summaries of the monitoring data obtained during the previous year;
  - (2) A comprehensive discussion of the compliance record, and the corrective actions taken or planned which may be needed to bring the discharger into full compliance with the waste discharge requirements; and,
  - (3) A written summary of the ground water analyses indicating any change in the quality of the ground water.
- 2. In the event the discharger violates of threatens to violate the conditions of the waste discharge requirements and prohibitions or intends to experience a plant bypass or treatment unit bypass due to:
  - a. Maintenance work, power failures, or breakdown of waste treatment equipment, or;
  - b. Accidents caused by human error or negligence, or;
  - c. Other causes, such as acts of nature.

The discharger shall notify the Regional Board office by telephone asss soon as he or his agents have knowledge of the incident and confirm this notification in writing within 7 working days of the telephone notification. The written report shall include time and date, duration and estimated volume of waste bypassed, method used in estimating volume and person notified of the incident. The report shall include pertinent information explaining reasons for the noncompliance and shall indicate what steps were taken to prevent the problem from recurring.

In addition, the waste discharger shall promptly accelerate his monitoring program to analyze the discharge at least once every day. Such daily analyses shall continue until such time as the effluent limits have been attained, until bypassing stops or until such time as the Executive Officer determines to be appropriate. The results of such monitoring shall be included in the regular Self-Monitoring Report.

#### Part B

## A. Description Of Observation Stations And Schedule Of Observations

- The observation stations shall consist of the two ground water monitoring wells and the one ground water supply well and lysimeters.
- 2. The schedule of observations and grab sampling shall be quarterly and shall be conducted within the months of January, April, July and October.

#### B. Observations and Test Procedures

- 1. The observations shall consist of the following:
  - a. Water elevation reported to the nearest 0.1 inch for both depth to water from the ground surface and the elevation of the ground water level;
  - Ground water temperature measured at the time of sampling and reported in degrees Fahrenheit;
  - Ground water conductivity measured at the time of sampling as per Standard Methods 205 using potentiometric methodology;
  - d. Ground water pH measured at the time of sampling as per Standard Methods 423 using potentiometric methodology; and,
  - e. Ground water turbidity.
- 2. The test procedures for the ground water samples shall consist of the following:
  - a. Biochemical Oxygen Demand.
  - b. Chemical Oxygen Demand.
  - c. Chloride
  - d. Fecal Coliform
  - e. Nitrogen, Kjeldahl
  - f. Nitrate
  - g. Sodium
  - h. Sorbate
  - i. CAC Title 22 Metals as follows:
    - (1) Arsenic as per SW 846 7060 using atomic absorption spectroscopy methodology;

- (2) Barium as per EPA 200.7 using ICP Emission Spectroscopy methodology; and,
- (3) Copper as per SW 846 7210 using atomic absorption spectroscopy methodology.
- j. Total Hydrocarbons as per EPA 418.1 using IR Spectroscopy and Fuel Hydrocarbons using SW 846 8015 (modified) using Gas Chromatography.
- I, Steven R. Ritchie, Executive Officer, hereby certify that the foregoing Self-Monitoring Program is as follows:
- 1. Developed in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Board's Resolution No. 73-16 in order to obtain data and document compliance with waste discharge requirements established in this Board's Order No. 90-027;
- 2. Effective on the date shown below; and,
- 3. May be reviewed or modified at any time subsequent to the effective date, upon written notice from the Executive Officer, or request from the discharger.

Steven R. Ritchie Executive Officer

February 21, 1990 Date Ordered

